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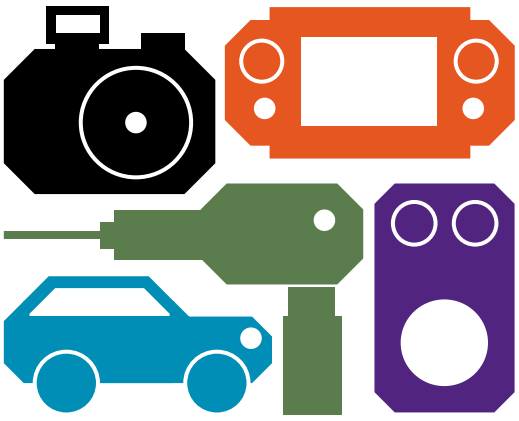

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Integrated Bluetooth technology seamlessly lets you transfer all the tunes you want between your Samsung Home Entertainment System and your Bluetooth-enabled smartphone, tablet or iPod. It's easy to connect all your crystal-clear digital entertainment to whatever device you're watching or listening to, regardless of which room you're in.

With 400 W output 2.1 Channel (Virtual 5.1 channel) and wireless subwoofer, wireless built-in LAN and Samsung Smart Hub, this system is a must for modern home owners.

Available at Makro for R6 499.

Rich, rewarding viewing

SONY 46" W804 3D/INTERNET LED TV

Stunning picture quality is a given with this baby, whether you are watching Blu-ray discs, TV broadcasts, web videos or even low-resolution smartphone clips. Thanks to Sony's X-Reality PRO image processing engine, which draws on a vast database of shapes, patterns, textures and colour, the result is beautifully re-mastered images that are richer in colour and detail, regardless of source. Seamless connectivity options also allow you to share content from your mobile devices easily on the BRAVIA KDL-W804A's big screen. Pairing hassles are a thing of the past, thanks to Sony's exclusive One-touch mirroring, allowing you to view exactly what's on your smartphone wirelessly. And there's sound quality to match, thanks to ultra-slim dual-driver speaker that delivers powerful full-range sound to enhance your TV enjoyment. A sophisticated acoustic isolation design prevents sound energy from being distorted or lost inside the TV cabinet.

Available at Makro for R14 999.

Party on

SAMSUNG FS9000 PREMIUM HI-FI COMPONENT AUDIO SYSTEM

Get the party started with the Samsung FS9000 Premium Hi-fi Component Audio System. Obviously, there's powerful (30 720 watt PMPO/2 650 watt RMS) sound and superior sound quality with super deep bass and clear highs. But you can also see and feel the rhythm and beat thanks to this system's unique features: Beat Waving illuminates the speaker in sync with the music and 3D Beat Lighting perfectly flashes lights and patterns that flow with the music. You'll transform any party place into the atmosphere of your favourite club. Besides the visual effects, there are aural equivalents that will liberate your DJ creativity, too. Share and mix your music with seven different effect modes, such as Flanger, Chorus, WahWah and Panning. In addition, you can play your favourite tracks and DJ mixes wirelessly from your Bluetooth-enabled smartphone, tablet and PC, or plug and play your favourite music directly from your USB device. Designed for you to freely control each effect to enhance the sound of the music and party, this easy-to-use feature has the ability to play multiple effects simultaneously.

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Simple sharing

GOPRO ACTION CAMERA SILVER EDITION

Not only is the Hero3 Silver Edition 20 per cent smaller and 15 per cent lighter than previous models, it's also 2x more powerful. That makes it the most advanced Silver Edition camera yet. Wearable, gear-mountable and waterproof to 40 metres, the Hero3 Silver Edition captures professional-quality video at resolutions up to 1080 p and 10 MP photos at up to 10 frames per second. With 4x faster Wi-Fi, enhanced low-light performance, 30 per cent longer battery life and compatibility with all GoPro mounts and accessories, the Hero3 Silver Edition makes capturing and sharing your life easier than ever.

Available at Makro: silver R4 299; white R3 399.

Share your viewing experience

HISENSE XT780 SERIES

With a solid structure and elegant design, the HiSense XT780 TV makes a great addition to any home. The full-HD display is bright and clear, and an optimised user interface makes navigation very user friendly. The HiMedia function takes you to a separate screen DNLA device hook up where you can upload photos and videos. Hit the Social button on the remote and a window on the side will appear with Facebook and Twitter tags. No need for smartphones or laptops – if you're watching it on the XT780, you can share it. The remote is two-sided with a QWERTY keyboard and function buttons on the front. The overall feeling of the XT780 is that it gives you exactly what you want, when you want it.

Available at Makro.

A tablet for gamers and social butterflies

10" LENOVO TABLET

As tablets have continued their march into the mainstream, increasing demand for devices with larger screens has raised the bar for tablet makers. Lenovo has responded with the S6000, a sleek and powerful option for customers looking for a device that switches seamlessly from entertainment to social media and beyond. Powered by the MTK 8389/8125 1.2 GHz quad-core processor, the S6000 shines as a multimedia and gaming tablet fronted by a 10" IPS 1280x800 display with a wide, 178-degree viewing angle, micro HDMI port and digital microphone. The S6000 also offers a number of additions to optimise its performance as a connectivity tool for social networkers, including optional HSPA+ and a substantial battery that allows for more than eight hours of continuous Wi-Fi web browsing. Even with all these specifications, the S6000 does not lose track of style and convenience; it is all tied together in a super slim (8.6 mm) and light (560 g) frame that feels good and helps you look the part.

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A revolution in gaming on the go

PS VITA ACTION & ADVENTURE BUNDLE

Join the handheld gaming revolution with PS Vita, the next generation portable entertainment system from PlayStation.

Experience fully immersive gameplay with intuitive dual-analogue sticks that give you the ultimate in gaming control. Enjoy a revolutionary new way to control actions and complete challenges with a touch of your finger on the stunning five-inch OLED screen.

Games, action and experiences are brought to life with levels of stunning colour and definition never-before-seen in portable gaming. Touch, tilt and steer your way through adventures, plus enjoy endless ways to manipulate your environment, interact with characters and utilise in-game tools.

The PlayStation Vita represents a whole new dimension in portable gaming.

Available at Makro for R2 799.

Balanced performer

ACER ICONIA A1

Viewing music videos, gaming or browsing online are a breeze for the balanced, full-featured and sleek (11,1 mm thick) Acer Iconia A1. Its quad-core processor ensures smooth performance with any media and its 7,9-inch HD screen with IPS technology provides consistent images, colour and brightness from a viewing angle of up to 170 degrees. The rear camera takes 5 MP photos and 1080 p video; the front-facing camera is ideal for video chats.

Gaming becomes more realistic and immersive, too, with gyroscopic activation that senses your movement more precisely and responds more efficiently when you tilt the device.

Acer's innovative Touch WakeAPP gesture allows you to wake up the tablet by touching the display with a 5-finger or 2-thumb gesture, so you can access your favourite app straight from sleep mode. The Iconia A1 tablet provides 7 hours HD video playback and comes with a Micro SD slot and USB 2.

Available at Makro for R3 699.

Exquisite design can be practical

ASUS CI3 TOUCH LAPTOP

The ASUS Vivo book S550CA-CJ037H is crafted for multitasking and multimedia wherever you go, and it's clad in exquisite design.

Brushed hairline aluminium textures offer high durability and an elegant look, with a sleek form that integrates hard drive storage and an optical drive – it's perfect for work and entertainment. Adding to its compact-style finesse, the chiclet keyboard and smart-gesture oversized palmrest afford intuitive input, with Super Hybrid Engine II ensuring you're always back on in just two seconds.

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Get it all in one

ACER ASPIRE Z3

Fitting the finest hardware seamlessly into your life isn't an easy task to accomplish. But that's been Acer's mission – and it's led to the creation of an extraordinary all-in-one desktop PC that is great to look at and fantastic to use.

With tilting Full HD touch screen featuring optional 10-point multi-touch and gesture control, the Aspire Z Series offers the most natural, intuitive and immersive way to explore and enjoy everything Windows 8 has to offer, simply by moving your hand. The screen can be tilted up to 30 degrees so it's easier for anyone to get a comfortable view – and the HD webcam can also be tilted back 20 degrees, too, so you're always in focus whenever you call your friends or family. You can even wirelessly connect your Android mobile device to the Aspire Z3 via Wi-Fi or Bluetooth and control it remotely.

Available at Makro for R10 999.

Everything moms want. Everything kids will love

LEAPPAD ULTRA

It's got the graphics, the camera and the looks. But LeapPad Ultra is a kid-tough tablet. Built from the inside-out just for kids, it has child-friendly controls, an ultra-tough frame and a screen designed for a kid's light touch. LeapPad Ultra is the only child tablet with LeapSearch powered by Zui – a secure browser that lets kids explore the content they love.

Enjoy instant access to the same outstanding library that works with all of the company's educational tablets: 800-plus fun apps, games, videos, ebooks, music and more. With games that automatically adjust to your child's level, kids stay challenged and inspired to learn. With so many ways to create and explore, LeapPad Ultra is the ultimate kids' tablet to inspire a love of learning.

Available at Makro for R1 999 each.

The perfect PC companion

ACER C120 PROJECTOR

Portability is key to today's urban warriors – and the Acer C120 projector is a perfect fit. Weighing only 180 g, it is light and small enough so you can take it wherever, whenever you need to.

What's more, its Power Over USB feature allows the USB cable to transfer both AC power and the display signal from notebook to projector. (Connecting the AC adaptor enables higher-brightness (100 lumen) presentations.)

Running costs are kept to a minimum thanks to its LED lamp. With a 20 000-hour lifespan, the LED reduces cost and delivers an always-available light source with an instant on/off capability: the projector is ready to be used in 5 seconds.

And speaking of speedy performance, the C120's USB 3.0 connectivity transfers data up to 10x faster than previous-generation USB 2.0, enhancing image brightness and quality.

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Organise and access your digital life

SEAGATE CENTRAL HARD DRIVE

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You can't enjoy what you can't find. But when you load your photos, movies, music and documents onto Central, all your files will be organised in one spot where they're easy to access. It makes your digital life super simple.

Available at Makro.

Compact powerhouse

CANON 100D TWIN LENS KIT

A compact and responsive DSLR to take everywhere, the 18-megapixel Canon EOS 100D delivers superb photos and video. It features an optical viewfinder and intuitive touch-screen controls that allow you to take control of exposure, focusing, sound and more. Video Snapshot mode is perfect for capturing edited movie sequences in-camera; you can shoot high-quality video at resolutions up to Full-HD (1080 p). Track and shoot fast moving subjects at 4 fps while taking advantage of nine AF points to focus swiftly and accurately, even with off-centre subjects. Hybrid CMOS AF II provides continuous focusing during shooting; that's ideal for keeping moving subjects sharp.

The 100D Twin lens bundle consists of a 100D body; 18 to 55 mm IS STM lens; 55 to 250 mm IS lens; 32 GB Sandisk SD card; and Lowepro Event Messenger Bag.

Available at Makro; the Canon EOS 100D is priced at R10 499.

Measure up

SAMSUNG GALAXY TAB3

Samsung's Galaxy Tab3 has been fine-tuned for your multimedia pleasure. The luxurious 10,1-inch screen showcases everything that is great about this tablet, from its enhanced cameras to the latest Jelly Bean OS. Whether you're being delighted by the amped-up media experience or savouring the incredibly smooth user interface, the GALAXY Tab 3 works like a dream, delivering the most advanced performance in a sublimely sleek form. Easy to grasp and a pleasure to operate, this newest tablet is the slimmest and lightest ever. See for yourself how it measures up.

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Measure up

SAMSUNG NX1100 MIRRORLESS DIGITAL TWIN LENS BUNDLE

Customised for the NX System, the brand-new, professional-grade, 20,3 MP APS-C CMOS sensor produces images that rival those of any premium DSLR. Each individual pixel has a large sensor area and receives more light, guaranteeing low noise levels, high dynamic range and accurate colour differentiation. The higher sensitivity allows you to shoot during low-light situations without graininess or other noise. The new sensor provides full HD video output capabilities.

The camera is extremely portable and the perfect travel companion. The lightweight body also makes it easier to shoot stills or video for longer periods of time.

The exterior of the NX1100 is just as impressive. The modern and sleek body adds another layer of elegance and sophistication to something that's usually more functional than beautiful.

The NX1100 Twin lens bundle consists of: NX1100 body; 20 to 50 mm lens, 50 to 200 mm lens; 16 GB Lexar SD card; Adobe Lightroom 4 and Samsung pouch.

Available at Makro for R6 499.

DStv2.0

DSTV EXPLORA

The new DStv Explora has one central menu with all content and settings centrally available. It is more aesthetically attractive than before, and can record up to 220 hours of content.

Discover, store and enjoy content like never before; the Box Office, DStv catch up and Playlist options offer more content availability and recording of all your favorite series.

On DStv catch up, the available series, sports and movies availability have been increased to allow more flexibility for the executive at work.

Additional search options have been added for ease of use, and a new remote with more shortcut buttons allows for a more seamless user experience.

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Become a machining maestro

CNC INSTRUMENTS

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The ultimate desktop

APPLE IMAC

Sit down in front of an iMac and something incredible happens: the world around you seems to disappear and you lose yourself in the big, beautiful display. To create an experience this immersive, we pushed every limit, rethought every detail and advanced iMac in the most astonishing ways. Powered by fourth-generation Intel Core processors, this iMac is the fastest yet. Every model in the lineup comes standard with a quad-core Intel Core i5 processor and the latest NVIDIA graphics, an advanced Fusion Drive option and much more. The gorgeous iMac display looks great from any seat in the house. A technology called in-plane switching (IPS) gives you a bright picture with excellent colour from nearly any angle. LED backlighting offers instant-on, uniform brightness with no waiting. So you're always ready to share that vacation slideshow with the family. No desktop has ever brought so much to the table.

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Crystal-clear viewing delight

SAMSUNG 55" FHD 3D SMART LED TV (F6800)

Explore a world of new entertainment with the Samsung F6800 Series 6 LED TV. Thanks to Samsung's Smart Hub, you can discover and enjoy online content and services. You can even download apps to your Samsung Smart TV through Samsung Apps. Meanwhile, the stunning Full HD picture quality is enhanced by technology like Clean View and Wide Colour Enhancer Plus to deliver outstanding clarity. And, with its elegant design, your new Smart TV is sure to be an attractive addition to any home.

Enjoy the next level of unmatched picture quality with the new Samsung Smart TV. Samsung's Clear Motion Rate is able to generate clearest motion graphics through the backlight technology in the TV's panel.

Get in right where the action is. Samsung's Smart Hub creates the best environment for top notch entertainment. With games, apps, videos and music, you will never feel bored. Enjoy great apps from your Samsung Smart TV. And even access photos, videos and clips on all compatible devices like a smartphone, tablet, a PC or a camera.

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No gadgets, no gizmos, just you!

XBOX 4GB KINECT FIFA 14 BUNDLE

Xbox Kinect brings games and entertainment to life in extraordinary new ways without using a controller. With Kinect, technology evaporates, letting the natural magic in all of us shine. Easy to use and instantly fun, Kinect gets everyone off the couch and moving, laughing and cheering. See a ball? Kick it. Want to join a friend in the fun? Simply jump in. Controller-free gaming means full body play. Kinect responds to how you move. So if you have to kick, then kick. If you have to jump, then jump. You already know how to play. All you have to do now is get off the couch.

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Less is more

IPAD MINI

The iPad mini makes one thing clear: its 7,9-inch display more than measures up to the complete iPad experience. At just 7,2 mm, it's pencil thin and almost unbelievably light, so you can easily hold it in the palm. View web pages in Safari. See where you are and what's around you using Maps. Flick through your photos and watch videos in vivid detail. And wave hello to the family on a FaceTime call. The iPad mini display uses the same LED backlight technology as iPad to give you plenty of pop per square inch. Plus it's perfectly sized to work with hundreds of thousands of apps for iPad. A beautiful display, powerful A5 chip, FaceTime HD camera, iSight camera with 1 080 p HD video recording, ultrafast wireless, and the all-new design and all-new features of iOS 7 add up to the fact that iPad mini is an iPad in every way, shape, and slightly smaller form.

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Make the most of the festive season with Bisquit

BISQUIT COGNAC

A luxury set of Bisquit Cognac VS Classique cognac with a balloon glass from the award-winning House of Bisquit Cognac will make the perfect Christmas gift. True to the philosophy that time is what you make it, Bisquit Cognac is the longest distilled cognac in the world and is aged meticulously in French oak at the beautiful Chateau Bisquit, in the heart of the Cognac region. Each variant in its core range, the VS, VSOP and XO, boasts international awards. After its recent string of medals at the 2013 International Wine & Spirit Competition, Bisquit is now the only cognac brand in the world to have won medals for each variant for five consecutive years.

The Bisquit Cognac VS gift pack comes with a balloon glass while the Bisquit Cognac VSOP gift set is accompanied by two balloon glasses.

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Crystal-clear sound at your fingertips

KICKER AMPHITHEATRE

The Amphitheatre was the first KICKER system to certifiably dock iPad, iPhone and iPod media players, and now it connects with any Bluetooth-enabled media device as well. It is also the first that allows users to download the free KickStart app from either iTunes or Google Play. KickStart features complete audio customisation, social-media integration and specific Bluetooth elements such as Auto Connect, Auto Play and Priority List.

Resembling the open-air musical venue for which it's named, the 50-watt Amphitheatre delivers rich, live-performance sound and legendary KICKER bass response with its six-inch, square-reflex subwoofer and powerful internal amplifier with digital signal processing. Music is instantly brought to life with stunning five-inch mid-bass speakers and 3/4-inch, silk-dome tweeters. The Amphitheater's overall sound is the result of four years of precise tuning in KICKER's acoustic labs.

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The coolest gadget in town

PARROT AR DRONE 2.0 POWER EDITION

Take off with the new Parrot AR Drone 2.0 Power Edition this festive season and experience a new look quadricopter. The new Power Edition is controlled using a smartphone or tablet and has a sleek new hull design, colourful propellers and extended battery life.

Customise your AR Drone 2.0 to make it an even more exclusive flying machine. In addition, to the standard black propellers, the Power Edition has three extra sets including, blazing red, fiery orange and cool blue, not to mention a revamped hull to give the AR Drone a more menacing look.

The Power Edition also includes two new HD batteries with a combined flying time of 36 minutes which will allow you to release your full potential and become the master of the sky!

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Groundbreaking smartphone tech

SONY XPERIA Z1

The elegant, five-inch Z1 is the latest addition to Sony's premium Z series of products and brings Sony's proven world-class technologies to the smartphone like never before – including the very best of Sony's camera expertise. Xperia Z1 features Sony's award-winning "G Lens" with a 27 mm wide angle and bright f2.0 aperture, custom-made large 1/2.3-type CMOS image sensor Exmor RS for mobile with 20,7 megapixels and a BIONZ for mobile image processing engine. The combination of these technologies delivers the same level of quality and performance as a conventional compact digital camera in a slim, waterproof smartphone. Indeed, independent testing has confirmed that Xperia Z1 provides the best overall image quality of all leading smartphones.

Beautiful design

The Z1 includes all of the features consumers have come to expect of a Sony smartphone. Its stunning looks combine Sony's acclaimed OmniBalance design with premium materials and precision engineering in a slim waterproof and dust-resistant smartphone (IP55 and IP58). A solid one-piece aluminium frame with tempered glass on the front and back ensures beauty and durability as well as a consistent viewing experience from any angle.

Amazing speed

Xperia Z1 features the fully integrated Qualcomm Snapdragon 800 processor with 2,2 GHz quad-core CPU and 4G LTE to provide a seamless connected entertainment experience, industry-leading battery performance and amazing speed. The Qualcomm Snapdragon 800 processor features the latest GPU and dual ISP for incredible graphics, 3D games and videos. The Xperia Z1 also includes a 3 000 mAh battery for a high battery performance. Sony's Battery STAMINA Mode automatically turns off functions to save power when you don't need them and restarts them when you do.

Companion products

The Z1 is supported by an ecosystem of innovative companion products and accessories. All are underpinned by Sony's one-touch functions with NFC technology that will number approximately 100 compatible products by the end of the year including TVs, headphones, audio speakers, tablets, and more. Key products include:

- QX10/QX100: High-performance lens-style cameras designed for mounting on smartphones and operated through the smartphone screen – a perfect partner for the Z1.
- Smart Imaging Stand IPT-DS10M: An intelligent accessory that helps Xperia Z1 detect smiles and capture special moments without needing to hold the handset.
- Smartphone Tripod SPA-MK20M: A versatile tripod perfect for extra stability when taking pictures or capturing video.

KEY SPECS

- Sony's "G Lens": A lens with f2.0 and wide angle 27 mm as well as 3x clear image zoom.
- 1/2.3-type Exmor RS for mobile CMOS image sensor with 20,7 MP: high-sensitivity sensor capturing huge amounts of detail for sharp, crisp images, even in low-light conditions.
- Dust and water-resistant.
- Qualcomm Snapdragon 800 quad-core 2,2 Ghz processor, 4G LTE
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Creativity with a twist

CANON POWERSHOT N

This camera offers a different approach to capturing creative, spontaneous photos and sharing them instantly with social networks. The unconventional square design, innovative zoom and shoot operation lens rings and tilting touch screen encourage you to capture your world from a fresh angle, while the new Creative Shot mode automatically generates a selection of creative treatments with every shot taken. The perfect smartphone companion, the PowerShot N has been designed to simplify image sharing with intuitive Wi-Fi connectivity, allowing you to share high-quality, artistic images and full HD videos in near real-time.

PowerShot N key features:

- Creative Shot
- Unique design
- 8x zoom, 28 mm lens; Intelligent IS
- HS System: 12,1 MP CMOS sensor, DIGIC 5
- Wi-Fi, GPS via mobile
- Mobile device connect button
- Any way up operation; tilt-up touchscreen
- Full HD video capture
- Hybrid auto; Smart auto (58 scenes).

Exceptional speed and responsiveness

CANON POWERSHOT S120

Canon's PowerShot S120 demonstrates the company's unparalleled expertise in image processing and lens design. Built to offer an exciting new level of image quality and performance for Canon's advanced compact range, the PowerShot S120 boasts impressive speed and responsiveness.

At the heart of this model is Canon's new DIGIC 6 image processor, which allows users to expand their photographic range and take stunning images in a wide variety of challenging situations. Canon's HS System combines the DIGIC 6 processor along with a 12,1 megapixel 1/1.7 type high-sensitivity CMOS sensor to deliver images with wider dynamic range, low noise and high levels of detail – even in low-light conditions, courtesy of sensitivity up to ISO 12 800.

PowerShot S120 key features:

- 24 mm, f/1.8, 5x zoom lens
- HS System: 12,1 MP CMOS, DIGIC 6
- Intelligent IS with 5-axis movie stabilisation
- Superfast: up to 9.4 fps
- 7,5 cm touch screen
- Lens control ring, full manual and RAW
- Full HD (60 fps)
- Wi-Fi, GPS via mobile
- Star Mode
- Optional 40 m waterproof case.

Compact, powerful and versatile

CANON POWERSHOT SX280

Desirable and technologically superb, the SX280 combines the company's brand new DIGIC 6 image-processing technology with a 20x optical zoom, making this model the ideal travel companion. It records everything from panoramic landscapes to family holidays in stunning detail and full HD 60p video. Shooting and sharing high-quality images on the move is also easy, thanks to integrated Wi-Fi function, which allows instant connectivity with other devices such as tablets, PCs and smartphones.

Powershot SX280 key features:

- 20x zoom, 25 mm lens
- HS System: 12,1 MP CMOS, DIGIC 6
- Intelligent IS, Enhanced Dynamic IS
- Wi-Fi
- Full HD (60 fps)
- 7,5 cm PureColor II G LCD
- GPS with A-GPS
- Hybrid auto, Smart auto
- Manual, AV and TV modes
- High-speed shooting
- Optional waterproof case

For more info, visit www.canon.co.za

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One (HD) pic ahead of the competition

ION AIR PRO ACTION CAMERA

Aimed at professional and amateur photographers, adventurers, adrenaline junkies and recreational sports enthusiasts alike, this product offers users very clear advantages:

- One of the lightest Wi-Fi-enabled HD Action cameras at just 130 g.
- No raincoat required; it's waterproof to 10 metres and comes complete with a waterproof microphone to enable high-quality audio while offering protection from the elements.
- No strings attached – includes the iON Wi-Fi PODZ for real time shoot-and-share capability.
- One finger to the competition – simple-to-use one-touch function allows simultaneous camera start and record, all with one finger.
- Long life – 1 800 mAmp battery booster allows camera unit to charge twice without the need for an external power source to provide over seven hours of battery life.
- Wide-angle lens records in HD with a field view of up to 170 degrees.
- HD recording up to 1 080-pixel video resolution.
- Five-megapixel stills that can be sequenced one at a time, three in one second or one photo every 10, 20 or 30 seconds to create amazing step-photo video.
- Free Cloud storage – 8 GB of free Cloud storage will be provided with every iON Air Pro camera.

Available at Makro. The Air Pro WiFi costs R4 499 and the Air Pro Wifi Lite R2 999.

Control your drive

TOMTOM GO 5000

Completely redesigned to put you in control of your drive, the all new TomTom GO 5000 helps you make the smartest driving decisions by knowing precisely what is going on around you and what lies ahead. This device includes maps for all African countries plus free lifetime traffic services (available only in SA) and maps. With single line search and a database that includes all the new and old street names, getting to your destination really is easier and quicker than ever before. Interactive Maps put the world at your fingertips: simply zoom in and out on the extra-large 13 cm touchscreen to find and explore places on the map with your fingertips. Tap on the map to get an instant route to your destination and see buildings and landmarks in stunning 3D. The world's biggest database of real travel times is built into every TomTom device, so you'll get the fastest routes and most accurate arrival times. Advanced lane guidance clearly shows which lane to take at junctions, so you don't miss your turning. On the most difficult highway intersections, realistic 3D representation of the junction keeps you relaxed and safe.

Available at Makro for R3 799.

Power to your pedal

POWERBOX AND PEDALBOX BY DIESEL TORQUE

Need more oomph from your vehicle? Cost of fuel driving you crazy?

Before you throw in the towel and invest in a bicycle, consider the Powerbox, which is claimed to increase power and torque by up to 30 per cent and improve fuel consumption by up to 20 per cent.

The Powerbox comes in a handy DIY kit complete with instructions (for the less enthusiastic, a national dealer network can help install the system). An add-on, the Pedalbox, is said to improve throttle response.

The system is compatible with turbodiesels and normally aspirated or turbocharged petrol engines. Trucks and tractors are covered, too. Imported from Germany, the components are of the highest-quality materials and carry a lifetime warranty.

Price: from R1 995 to R5 495 for the Powerbox and R2 250 for the Pedalbox. Check out the Powerbox and Pedalbox at www.dieseltorque.co.za, www.petrol-power.co.za, www.chiptuning.com, and www.pedalbox.com; alternatively, call 021 556 6463 or 082 379 6141.

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Mobile mechanic

GS-911 DIAGNOSTIC TOOL

There's something immensely comforting about an electronic device that functions like a personal physician for your BMW motorcycle, especially when you're preparing for a cross-country adventure far from service centres and other mod-cons. Meet the GS-911, a specialised diagnostic tool that employs an intelligent electronic interface in combination with Windows PC software to perform it's magic.

In essence, it's a unique combination of software and hardware that allows the rider to communicate with the control modules of a motorcycle in a safe and controlled manner. It can read and clear fault codes, view and log real-time values (sensor inputs and outputs), reset service reminders and adaption values, and perform component output tests. Versatility is assured by software for most mobile phones, including BlackBerry, Windows Mobile and Andriod, making it sufficiently portable for any road trip.

Whether you're a long-distance rider, a weekend adventurer, a technician or simply a BMW rider who's intent on knowing it all, you can't go wrong with the USB and Bluetooth-enabled GS-911 BLU Enthusiast, which retails for R2 995 (a professional version is also available).

Visit www.hexdiagnostics.co.za or call 021 850 0650.

31% more power, 15% less fuel

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Our popular chip-tuning modules, RaceChip®, RaceChip® Pro2 and RaceChip® Ultimate have been developed by our engineers to increase engine power without compromising vehicle components.

Our products will delight you. You can install them yourself in a few minutes and RaceChip®'s supplemental control unit provides many vehicles with turbodiesel or turbopetrol engines a power increase of up to 31%. At the same time, you can save up to 1,5 litres of fuel per 100 km. Our database covers over 2 800 vehicles that can fit RaceChip® power boxes.

Racechip reads data from the engine-control unit in real time and optimises many characteristics. This data includes items such as injection timing, injection quantity, injection pressure, boost pressure and air mass.

Contact: Denis cell 083 629 5200 or email denis@racechip.co.za
Website: www.racechip.co.za. RaceChip® units are priced from R4 500.

Light the way

PHILIPS X-TREMEVISION HIGH-PERFORMANCE GLOBE

Are your car's headlamps too dim? Do road hazards present a bigger risk than they should? Perhaps it's time for an upgrade. The new Philips X-tremeVision High-Performance Globe is based on unique filament design and optimised geometry. X-tremeVision uses a quartz glass burner and high-pressure gas filling for optimal lifetime.

Thanks to this unique technology, X-tremeVision boasts 100% more light on the road compared with standard products, offering maximum visibility on the road.

XtremeVision is available in sizes H1, H4 and H7 from Autozone retailers nationwide.

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Continuous innovation

KIA CERATO 5

At the core of the engineering philosophy at KIA Motor Corporation is "continuous innovation". It's what drives the consequent surprise associated with every line of KIA vehicles produced and no more spectacular is the manifestation than with the optimally turned out new Cerato 5. It continues to do its roots of "continuous surprise" proud.

The latest creation from the desk of Peter Schreyer, KIA's legendary chief design officer, the new Cerato 5 is immediately recognisable by its distinctive tiger-nose grille, and with its clipped rear overhang, the car looks poised and athletic. In profile, it's sleek and purposeful, with a sense of fluidity that's strongly coupé. In an uninspired world of automotive carbon copies, the new Cerato 5 truly holds its own in its segment.

Depending on the model, the new Cerato comes with climate control, tilt/telescopic steering column, paddle shifters for the automatic model and and two-memory 10-way power adjustment for the driver's seat.

Steering wheels can also carry audio and cruise control and selections for the comprehensive trip data computer.

High-intensity discharge headlamps mark the road ahead; front and rear-parking radar takes care of the close-range stuff; and flashing taillights will signal heavy braking.

It also offers the unique FlexSteer system with which the driver can choose from a variety of steering feedback options, including Sport, Normal and Comfort. The latter is the steering at its lightest setting, which is used primarily for easy manoeuvring when parking, as well for city driving. Normal mode is medium steering effort, with Sport mode the heaviest setting.

To avoid nasty surprises, the Cerato boasts a six-sensor park-distance control with rear-view mirror camera display.

It sports a comprehensive and intuitive 110 mm colour information screen with Bluetooth phone connection and five-star crash-protection ratings from the US and Australia, assisted by best-in-class braking.

The new Cerato has an improved suspension and an upgraded powertrain line-up that delivers class-leading performance and fuel economy.

By extending the wheelbase and completely rethinking the use of space, every occupant will enjoy the new Cerato's roomy interior. Soft-touch materials and carbon-pattern embossing are among the finishing touches that give the entire cabin a high-quality, modern feel.

Featuring an intuitive instrument and switch layout, the driver-orientated cockpit is the perfect blend of functionality and style. The centre fascia is angled towards the driver by nine degrees, while the distinctive wave-like motif of the dashboard completes the overall look.

There's quite a bit more that continues to surprise about the new Cerato 5. Give it a test drive and see for yourself.

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Painting the world blue

BLUEMOTION

Volkswagen has implemented a multitude of strategies to make more efficient cars, proving that small changes can make a big difference.

THINK BLUE.

Volkswagen's Think Blue. initiative is not only about creating efficient vehicles, vehicle technologies and a cleaner manufacturing process. The idea is also there to encourage people to think differently about the way they live their lives. It's a way of encouraging everyone to play an active role and address social and cultural issues that affect or have an effect on the environment.
For Volkswagen South Africa, it means that the vehicles it manufactures have to be built on a state-of-the-art efficient production line. The Uitenhage factory has, since the launch of Think Blue. a few years ago, used less water, reduced its solvent and CO_2 emissions, lessened its overall waste and has used less energy by looking to alternative sources. Such has been the success of the Think Blue. campaign that the factory was awarded two environmental awards for waste reduction.

Volkswagen South Africa recognises that there are other ways of making this world a greener (bluer?) place. Volkswagen South Africa has embarked on a long-term partnership with the Dyer Island Conservation Trust in Gansbaai under the Think Blue Environment pillar. The DICT is world renowned for its groundbreaking great white shark research and protection of the Marine Big 5 in the Overstrand Bay area.

BLUEMOTION

The primary goal of BlueMotion technologies is to improve the Volkswagen range's fuel efficiency and carbon emissions, thereby burning less fuel over time and making a smaller impact on the environment. These BlueMotion vehicles have various unique technologies and features.

Energy recuperation
Whenever the driver lifts off the accelerator pedal or applies the brakes, the alternator's charging voltage is elevated and the recaptured kinetic energy is converted into electric energy to charge the battery. Alternator control also allows for the lowering of alternator voltage at other times – such as when accelerating or cruising a constant speed. This reduced engine load improves fuel economy.

Stop/start technology
With this technology, the engine is switched off when the vehicle comes to a stop (at a traffic light, for example). Once the brake pedal is released (for automatic vehicles) or the clutch is engaged (for manual vehicles), it switches back on. As a result, you burn less fuel.

Low-rolling-resistance tyres
Tyres use less energy to move the vehicle forward. In turn, fuel is saved and emissions are kept low (Polo BlueMotion only).

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TDI diesel engines
Thanks to longer gear ratios and diesel-particulate filters that catch the finest carbon particles, the TDI diesel engines are as efficient as ever.

TSI petrol engines
Smaller and lighter, the TSI petrol units have better fuel consumption, with no compromise on power.

Engine management
Modified engine management has helped improved efficiency.

Gear ratios
Fuel consumption is aided by longer gear ratios in higher gears.

Reduced overall body mass
A reduction in the mass of some of the vehicles has helped with efficiency.

Lower suspension and drag co-efficient
The drag co-efficient and aerodynamics of the Polo have improved thanks to lowered suspension. Covers have been installed under BlueMotion vehicles to improve their drag co-efficient.

Closed front grille
Some models get a closed front grille that help reduce drag through lower air resistance.

Alloy wheels
The lightweight alloy wheels on some vehicles aid in improving aerodynamics.

Tailgate spoiler
Selected vehicles feature a more aerodynamic tailgate spoiler to reduce energy loss.

BlueMotion badge
The BlueMotion badge identifies the cleanest cars in the Volkswagen range, incorporating many different energy-saving features. The BlueMotion badge represents a Volkswagen that is kinder to the environment and better for your wallet.

BLUEMOTION VEHICLES

Locally, the Polo has a full BlueMotion derivative in its range, while the Touareg, Tiguan, new Golf and Volkswagen CC have BlueMotion Technology such as stop/start system and brake-energy recuperation.

Tiguan Trend and Fun in 90 kW and 118 kW 1,4 TSI manual and DSG, 2,0 TDI
Price: R304 400 to R351 300
Power: 90 to 118 kW
Torque: 200 to 280 N.m
Fuel cons: 5,3 to 6,7 L/100 km
CO_2 emissions: 139 to 164 g/km

Golf 1,2 TSI Trendline, 1,4 Trendline, Comfortline and DSG Comfortline, 1,4 TSI Highline, 2,0 TDI Comfortline and 2,0 TDI Highline DSG
Price: R246 300 to R352 700
Power: 77 to 110 kW
Torque: 175 to 320 N.m
Fuel cons: 4,4 to 5,2 L/100 km
CO_2 emissions: 114 to 121 g/km

Polo 1,2 TDI BlueMotion
Price: R208 200
Power: 55 kW @ 4 200 r/min
Torque: 180 N.m @ 2 000 r/min
Fuel cons: 3,4 L/100 km
CO_2 emissions: 89 g/km

CC 2,0 TDI DSG
Price: R410 900
Power: 130 kW @ 4 200 r/min
Torque: 380 N.m @ 1 750 r/min
Fuel cons: 5,2 L/100 km
CO_2 emissions: 137 g/km

Touareg 3,0 V6 TDI/3,0 V6 TDI Terrain Tech
Price: R713 700 to R735 900
Power: 180 kW @ 4 000 r/min
Torque: 550 N.m @ 2 000 r/min
Fuel cons: 7,2/7,3 litres/100 km
CO_2 emissions: 189/193 g/km

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On the beaten track ... and off

DUNLOP

Aside from hanging out with family and friends, partaking in the accompanying activities of the silly season, now is also a time to catch up on your to-do list. Top of that should be to check your tyres, not only to ensure you and your loved ones' safety, but also to enhance your driving pleasure with a smoother ride and improved handling. Get down to your nearest Dunlop Zone for the right tyre at the right price with the right service, and treat yourself to peace of mind and a more enjoyable ride.

Dunlop SP Sport Maxx

The Dunlop SP Sport Maxx is part of the Sport Maxx family of ultra-high-performance tyres and one of the most popular choices as an original-equipment-specified tyre by leading luxury European car manufacturers. The Sport Maxx ensures precise steering and excellent stability, both at high speeds and round corners. Its outstanding road feedback allows you to stay in control, and having been developed on the track, the tyre will complement your vehicle's performance to give you the full enjoyment of your drive.

Dunlop Grandtrek AT3

This proven all-terrain pattern provides outstanding on- and off-road performance with both high-speed stability and traction in tough conditions. So, if you're looking for adventure this holiday season, make sure it won't be your tyres stopping you.

Go to www.dunlopzone.com for your nearest dealer and current promotions, or call toll-free 0800 335 722.

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Fit any four Dunlop tyres of 15 inches or larger (passenger, SUV and bakkie tyres only) and receive this hands-free kit, valued at R699. Offer valid while stocks last; check www.dunlopzone.com for full details.

DUNLOP ZONE

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Blast it clean

KARCHER K 5.200 COMPACT

Now that you have exhausted your energy, worn out the scrubbing brush and still the grime remains, call in the pressure washer. Karcher's K 5.200 Compact is perfect for household cleaning jobs, from all types of vehicles to paving, walls and roofs. This innovative high-pressure unit puts formidable cleaning power at your fingertips, yet has the manoeuvrability of a much smaller machine.

Thanks to a neat aluminium telescopic handle, large wheels and carrier handles, transporting the machine is easy and it can be stored in areas as small as a boot or a cupboard.

Its powerful 2,1 kW motor generates a maximum of 140-bar pressure and a 460-litres-per-hour flow rate. An energy-efficient water-cooled induction design, it carries a two-year warranty. Accessories include a nine-metre high-pressure hose, a dirt blaster and a vario-power spray lance. A full range of accessories designed for cleaning various surfaces is also available; these include specialised shampoo concentrate, an assorted range of brushes, patio cleaners, replacement hoses, gun and hose kits, power scrubbers and pipe cleaning kits.

Available at Makro.

Innovative all-rounder

DREMEL 3000-1/25 KIT

Versatility is the calling card of the Dremel 3000. From engraving to woodworking, thanks to its wide range of supplied accessories and its innovative design, it's the perfect all-round multitool. A standout feature is the EZ Twist Nose Cap: with this new feature, there is no need for a wrench to tighten and loosen the collet when changing accessories. Instead, the wrench mechanism is integrated in the tool's nose cap. Ergonomics are another strong point, with a comfortable grip and convenient, lightweight housing. This kit represents great value for money for the more demanding user: the Dremel multitool accessories are suited for decorative projects such as engraving pots, jewellery making, customising furniture and woodworking.

Included in the kit:

- Dremel 3000 multitool;
- High quality Dremel flexible shaft;
- 25 Dremel accessories;
- Spacious and sturdy storage case.

Available at Makro.

Power play

BOSCH 18 V ONE-BATTERY 'POWER4ALL'

Now you can tackle impact drilling, screw driving, hammering, sanding and trimming with just one battery, thanks to the new "Power4All" 18 V lithium ion cordless system from Bosch.

It consists of the following tools:

PSR 18 Li-2 drill driver and PSB Li-2 combi drill: This 18 V cordless drill driver, equipped with a keyless chuck, drives up to 300 screws on a single battery charge.

PST 18 Li jigsaw: This cordless jigsaw delivers an ideal combination of power, precision and compact handiness.

PSM 18 Li multi-sander: Effective for all surfaces and corners, this is a powerful all-rounder for sanding and polishing, and very useful in hard-to-reach areas. Uneo Maxx multi-purpose tool: Perfect for DIY types, this tool hammers, drill and drive screws into a variety of surfaces.

For more info and great project ideas, visit www.bosch-do-it.co.za

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Camp in style

CAMP MASTER SAFARI DOME 510

The Camp Master Safari Dome 510 canvas tent is Camp Master's biggest canvas tent, sleeping five people. The Safari dome 510 features solid-spring steel poles, 280 g/m^2 polycotton rip-stop canvas, built-in heavy-gauge 300 g/m^2 PVC ground sheet and heavy-duty number-10 zips to make it a very durable and long-lasting tent. Added to this are the 6 mm extra-strength guy ropes which give this tent added stability. The Safari Dome 510 comes with a 600 mm water-column rating and taped seems for improved water resistance. The tent also has a built-in front awning, mesh windows for improved ventilation and mosquito protection.

The Safari Dome 510 has a one-year warranty and a repair kit is included for any ground sheet, flysheet and mosquito-net repairs that may need to be done while you're away.

Available at Makro for R3 799.

Keep it in the family

KENWOOD TITANIUM MAJOR WITH ACCESSORIES

For millions of South Africans, the Kenwood Chef is somewhat of an institution – a much-loved kitchen machine that they turn to for all their culinary needs. Luckily, if you want to spoil yourself, the new mega-pack (KMM023) that Kenwood has introduced is the ideal starting point; it contains Kenwood's top-of-the-range Titanium Major kitchen machine with four definitive bowl tools (k-beater, balloon whisk, dough hook and flexi beater).

It really is the winning recipe: mix the unsurpassed 1 500 W motor with the 6,7-litre bowl and stainless-steel attachments and combine this with the planetary mixing action to create professional results, right at home. Use the six attachments – food processor, multi-mill/grinder, juicer, mincer, liquidiser … even a sausage maker and digital scale – and let your culinary creativity run wild. From there, add the pasta maker and ice-cream bowl (one of 20 optional attachments) to your collection and the number of dishes you can make is literally endless. It's the investment buy that you'll enjoy for years.

Exclusive to Makro this Christmas for R6 999.

Soak up the sunshine

TERRACE LEISURE SIENNA COLLECTION

Whether it's a lazy afternoon lounging on the patio or elegant al-fresco dining in the garden, our outdoor space is becoming an extension of our living space. With such a variety of outdoor living requirements, the Terrace Leisure Sienna Collection provides you with an outdoor lifestyle solution. Sienna outdoor furniture is hand woven to perfection. The high-quality synthetic fibre is stretched over an aluminium frame and the fabric complements a relaxed and stylish range. This beautiful collection blends in wonderfully with any garden. The Terrace Leisure Sienna Collection has been extended to include a lounge and dining set at very attractive prices. The look and feel of the wicker and the quality of the cushions gives you a sense of comfort and pride when you show it off to your guests.

The six-piece lounge set is available at Makro.

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The heat is on

AEG ULTRASPEED KETTLE

AEG's UltraSpeed 1,7-litre stainless-steel kettle with temperature control and 30-minute keep-warm function is perfect for brewing your hot beverage at the correct temperature.

When it comes to the perfectly brewed cup of tea, rooibos and black tea leaves are very robust and brew best with boiling water; however, green tea tastes best when brewed between 70° C and 80° C. The perfect cup of coffee is brewed at 96° C, as this is the temperature at which the aromatic oils in coffee are released.

With the electronic temperature control of AEG's UltraSpeed kettle, you can choose a precise temperature between 50° C and 100° C, depending on the drink you need to prepare. And with a digital display, it is easy to select the precise temperature you need and always keep control of it.

What sets this kettle apart from the others is the water level indicator with variable light. The light changes colour as the water temperature rises to boiling, and you can end the heating process at your preferred temperature.

The keep-warm function allows you to keep your water at the selected temperature for 30 minutes.

On offer at Makro this Christmas for R599.

Keep your cool

ELEGANCE 16" MIST FAN

Imagine sitting inside or on the veranda of your favourite restaurant and the ambient temperature is pushing 35 degrees.The MIST cooling system is engaged and that fine cool tingling sensation is experienced.

Now with the new ELEGANCE Mist Fan, this can be enjoyed in your own home. When the mist evaporates, the exchange of energy results in the lowering of the ambient temperature – leaving you in a cool environment.

Features of the ELEGANCE MIST FAN:

- A humidifier for dry air
- Three fan speeds to suit your environment
- Oscillates for even distribution of cool air
- Castors for easy movement
- Timer function and remote control.

Exclusive to Makro stores at R1 299.

Make yummy summer treats

ELEGANCE ICE CREAM MAKER

Nothing tastes quite like your favourite homemade ice cream or sorbet. With the Elegance Ice Cream Maker, you can experiment with your own recipes and add fresh, healthy ingredients to suit your taste or health. Homemade ice cream has less preservatives than shelf ice cream and the flavours are more intense.

The Elegance Ice Cream Maker features:

- Easy-to-use functions
- Fully automatic operation with built-in cooling compressor
- It takes less than an hour to make 1,5 litres of fresh homemade ice cream
- An easy-to-clean removable bowl
- It makes sorbet, ice cream, slush drinks, frozen yoghurt and delicious ice cream cake.

Available at Makro for R2 299.

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The ultimate shave

PHILIPS CARE TOUCH ELECTRIC SHAVER AT790

Get tough on ingrown hairs with the new Philips Care Touch AT790. The new Philips Care Touch shaver is designed to reduce ingrown hairs to give you smooth skin every day – wet or dry.

Research indicates that most men in South Africa are prone to developing ingrown hairs and resultant skin irritation caused by shaving. Philips created a shaver that provides a solution that is designed to assist men in reducing ingrown hairs and less skin irritation, caused by shaving. This is ideal for the ethnic man.

Our best shaver for ingrown hairs:
- Gentle Cut heads cut just above skin level for smooth skin.

A smooth shave for a confident look:
- Aquatec Wet & Dry: refreshing wet shave or an easy dry shave.
- Rotary Comfort System glides over your skin.

Convenient trimming:
- Pop-up trimmer: perfect for sideburns and moustache.

Easy to use:
- Lithium-ion battery for long-lasting power.
- Up to 40 minutes of cordless power.
- Battery low, battery full and charging indicator.
- Fully washable: simply rinse under the tap.

Available at Makro Stores for R649 with a two-year guarantee.

The BBQ re-invented

CADAC BRAAIMAXX PATIO BRAAI

First-prize winner at Germany's Spoga show in the Best Innovation in BBQs category, the BraaiMaxx is a revolution in outdoor cooking. Two independent cooking areas mean you can cook two different dishes at the same time. Both cooking sides have an independent dome that is double-skinned and easily cleanable with a non-stick coating on the inside. The high-performance burners with a built-in thermometer allow for temperatures from 90° to 350°; you can slow cook on one side while baking on the other. Surfaces included are two non-stick BBQ grids, a stainless steel skottel designed for Teppanyaki-style high heat cooking, a baking stone ideal for pizzas and breads, a non-stick paella pan and a wok. All of the surfaces can be stored and protected in the custom-designed rack inside the cabinet, where the gas bottle can also be conveniently stored. Supplied fittings include a hose/regulator and a BBQ cover.

Available at Makro for R13 999.

Revolutionising the dishwasher

TRUESTEAM TECHNOLOGY IN THE LG STEAM DISHWASHER

Spend less time washing dishes and more time with your family, thanks to True Steam technology with LG.

The LG Steam Dishwasher is powered up with a TrueSteam Generator and flexible EasyRack Plus system. The TrueSteam technology and steam-focused wash cycles reduce the need to pre-wash dishes, even the ones that are heavily soiled. You can throw your pots and pans in a cycle without having to pre-scrub or wash them. Thanks to the unique built-in steam generator, the steam is hot enough to dissolve tough food residue, and gentle enough to remove lipstick stains on delicate items such as wine glasses.

LG's Innovative True Steam Technology can also be found in LG washing machines. It penetrates fabrics with powerful steam, eliminating dirt, odours and wrinkles with a lower water consumption than conventional washers.

Available at Makro for R8 999.

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Elevating the appliance to art

SAMSUNG 9 KG DEEP FOAM FRONT LOADER

With Samsung's newest washing machine, breakthrough Samsung Eco Bubble technology froths detergent with air and water before the cycle begins, generating cleansing bubbles that penetrate fabrics faster. It empowers cool wash to be as effectively as warm wash, which saves energy.

The Digital Inverter Motor is brushless, so there's less friction inside the motor, which means there's less noise and vibration. Furthermore, its durability is guaranteed with a 10-year warranty.

And it looks great. Enhance your home décor with Crystal Gloss Design. Samsung's unique Touch of Color technology adds a deep and elegant transparency to the door's rim. Complementing the washing machine's organic design is the wide display, featuring flat buttons that respond to your slightest touch.

Available at Makro for R7 499.

Fresh, not frozen

DEFY 4-DOOR WITH MINI BAR

Defy's new four door side-by-side fridge brings you the latest in technological advancement – saving money while helping the environment. Its "A Energy" rating indicates that it lowers energy consumption, cutting down on electricity costs. An exampe of this is Dual Cooling technology: it halves the cooling time and provides an optimum humidity level, prolonging the lifespan of fresh produce. Two seperate fans in the fridge and freezer provide advanced air flow to ensure that ideal temperatures remain stable, preventing food from freezing and eliminating unpleasant odour transfer between compartments. The No Frost feature eliminates the need for manual defrosting, while cutting down on electricity costs even further (ice build-up in the freezer lessens its effectiveness by using more energy to maintain the temperature). Conveniently, a Multi Zone feature allows the choice of fridge or freezer with the simple touch of a button on the digital display.

Available at Makro for R18 999.

Brew the perfect cuppa

NESCAFÉ DOLCE GUSTO COFFEE MACHINES

If you're a self-confessed coffee lover, you'll be pleased to know you no longer have to leave your home in search of the ultimate caffeine boost. With the recent launch of the easy-to-use capsule system – NESCAFÉ Dolce Gusto – coffee-shop quality beverages are a mere push of a button away. With a wide variety of roast and ground coffees, as well as hot chocolate and tea, there is something to suit every taste. NESCAFÉ Dolce Gusto offers delicious cappuccinos, latte macchiatos, tea latte and chococino to name a few.

Unique in design, both the Genio and Circolo machines make a big impression while brewing a perfectly delicious cup.

Each drink variety can be prepared in less than one minute thanks to the advanced thermo-block technology. Your waiter couldn't bring your drink to you faster. It requires no fresh milk and is clean and easy to use, making NESCAFÉ Dolce Gusto a truly premium quality offering.

Nescafé Dolce Gusto Genio (R1 999) and Circolo (R2 499) coffee machines are available at Makro.

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Keep your cool

PRIMA ONE & ONLY 12000 BTU PORTABLE AIR CONDITIONER

Not only extremely efficient, but also more than attractive to the eye, the POPA-12000 Prima One & Only 12000 BTU Portable Air Conditioner with heating and cooling is built for all-year comfort. It will keep you cool during the sweltering summer months and warm you up on the coldest winter nights. What's more, the Prima One & Only is portable and can be moved around the house or office block easily and conveniently. To add to its versatility, the unit comes standard with auto swing, sleep mode and timer as well as a heating function. It is suitable for rooms up to 24 square metres.

Available at Makro from R4 599.

Make the ordinary, imaginary

MELCO AMAYA

Ever wanted a cool way to make a living, where every day is different and your ideas and creativity can fly in endless dreams? We have the perfect opportunity where energy and fun greet you every day and earning your livelihood becomes a pleasure.

Melco Amaya industrial embroidery systems, quality manufactured in the USA, offer the perfect mix of high tech and creativity. No wonder that big brand names such as Nike, New Balance, Disney Store and Rolls-Royce have invested with Melco Amaya to personalise the "ordinary into the imaginary". Any item can be embellished – golf bags, school bags, clothing, caps and shoes – the list is endless. So too is the type of material which can be worked – leather, cotton and plastic, among others.

The company will assist you to establish your personalisation business using Melco Amaya and its expert team of digitisers, technicians and operators that will train you all the way.

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Jack & Frank: a friendship commemorated

JACK DANIEL'S SINATRA SELECT

One of the most classic brand endorsements of all time is undoubtedly Frank Sinatra's documented love for Jack Daniel's. Incredibly, Sinatra was never a paid spokesperson – Jack was just his drink – and to honour this long-time relationship, Jack Daniel's has released a special-edition whiskey called Sinatra Select. Jack Daniel's 7th Master Distiller has selected a number of specially crafted barrels that are maturing a bold Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey. These "Sinatra barrels" were crafted to provide full character and a rich amber colour by exposing extra layers of toasted wood on the inner surface of the barrels.

Available at R1 000 a bottle, Sinatra Select provides fuller character of oak and spice notes that give way to an exceedingly smooth vanilla finish.

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Café style – right at home

DE'LONGHI PRIMADONNA EXCLUSIVE

The PrimaDonna Exclusive from De'Longhi is, simply, the best boast-worthy gadget you can get for your kitchen. Its cutting-edge technology puts any hot drink you could possibly desire a mere button-touch away: everything from your can't-do-without-it cappuccino to hot chocolate for those nights when the summer rains hit. Not a morning person? Use the colour LCD screen to programme in your favourite drinks. Espresso obsessives will love the way the electronic control system checks quantity, temperature, pressure and water to achieve the best flavours; simply use ground coffee or take advantage of the built-in grinder for fresh and intense aromas. From there, the patented integrated milk carafe gives you silky-smooth moreish froth every time. Plus, the integrated auto clean function keeps mess to a minimum.

Price: about R15 000 from Hirsch's and Dion Wired. Visit www.delonghi.com.

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Brew up a storm

DE'LONGHI EC850 PUMP ESPRESSO MACHINE

So you've decided to take the plunge and buy a proper coffee machine, but have no idea where to start. De'Longhi's EC850 pump espresso machine turns you into a barista right in your own home. Switch between espresso, frothy cappuccino, café latte, or just hot water for tea, with a single touch. Enjoy the convenience of pods when you're dashing to the office, or the versatility of ground coffee when perusing the Sunday papers. Intelligent design features include the ability to preset and store a quantity of coffee; a height-adjustable drip tray for different varieties; and the latest heating technology to ensure minimal power consumption. There's also a front-loading water tank and a shelf for mugs and glasses – a must in small kitchens. A handy Automatic Clean button activates a full cleaning cycle between uses.

Available for about R4 000 at Makro. Visit www.delonghi.com

Must-have gourmet gadget

DE'LONGHI ICE CREAM MAKER ICK 6000

You've seen it on *Masterchef South Africa* – along with all sorts of scrumptious dishes that you want to try – and now you've got to have it. De'Longhi's Ice Cream Maker (ICK 6000) is your must-have gourmet gadget for the summer. It's ideal for after a braai on a lazy Saturday afternoon, or as a decadent dessert on date night. The special paddle allows you to mix ingredients perfectly and the removable 1,2-litre bowl means there will always be enough ice-cream to go around. Even better: the paddle, bowl and lid are all dishwasher-friendly, so all that's left for you to do is decide on the flavour combinations. Need a little inspiration? The machine comes with 36 ice cream and sorbet recipes that the rest of the family won't be able to resist.

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Up, up and away

DISNEY/MARVEL KIDS' BIKES

We may not have superpowers at our disposal, but the exciting new range of bikes from Disney/Marvel puts superhero wheels under younger riders. The range consists of Barbie, Ben 10, Spiderman, Avengers and Ariel. First off, these bikes are tough (featuring high-tensile steel frames) but they have inflatable tyres and steel bearings for a smooth ride. All saddles have quick-release adjustment, allowing saddle height adjustment without tools, and all 12" and 16" bikes are fitted with training wheels. The 16" and 20" Spiderman, Ariel, Ben 10 and Avengers bikes come with a detachable backpack that's perfect for packing the kids' favourite toys prior to heading off on an adventure. Barbie bikes have a basket fitted to the front handlebars; there's also a full range of accessories. A matching range of safety helmets will make your offspring the envy of the neighbourhood.

Available at Makro, 12" for R799; 16" and 20" for R999.

Innovate the way you train

TROJAN IRONMAN 520

The Trojan Ironman 520 treadmill allows you to maximize your training in the comfort of your own home. The Pafers app from Apple iStore can be downloaded onto your iPad, which allows you to run any route of your choice.

What's more, your workouts become fun and interactive through social media. Connect your iPad to the console of your treadmill – which offers a touch-friendly main menu and allows you to track your results in order to accomplish your goals. You can easily search routes you want to run and follow scenic feedback on the route.

The Ironman 520 has the following features:

- Speeds of 1 to 16 km/h
- A 1 230 x 630 mm running deck
- iPod, iPad and iPhone compatible
- Seven preset programmes
- Three heartrate control programmes
- One manual and four user programmes
- Electronic elevation
- 130 kg max user weight.

Available at Makro.

The best place to play, connect & share

PLAYSTATION 4

The PlayStation 4 system is the best place to play with dynamic, connected gaming, powerful graphics and speed, intelligent personalisation, deeply integrated social capabilities and innovative second-screen features. Combining unparalleled content, immersive gaming experiences, all of your favourite digital entertainment apps and PlayStation exclusives, the PS4 system focuses on the gamer.

The DualShock 4 controller features new innovations to deliver more immersive gaming experiences, including a highly sensitive six-axis sensor, as well as a touch pad located on the top of the controller that offers completely new ways to play and interact with games. The new share button puts video streaming and sharing a tap away.

It's available at Makro from 13 December for R7 999.

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Conquer new terrain

RALEIGH 29ER COMP MTB

The Raleigh 29er Comp mountain bike comes with a stiff lightweight aluminium frame and 24-speed Shimano Altus gears.This bike is fitted with hydraulic disc brakes on the front and rear wheels that offer incredible braking power on the larger wheel under any extreme conditions. The rims are double-walled aluminium for incredible strength, with 2,125 tyres. This bike comes in two options, namely front suspension as well as front and rear suspension.

The advantages of a 29er over a 26" bike are:

- Greater wheel contact on road gives better traction which also transfers more power to the ground;
- Larger wheel handles rocks, roots and rough terrain with ease;
- Larger wheel rolls better and is faster on long marathon rides.
- Larger wheels carry momentum better than smaller wheels which allow you to travel at a faster pace through tricky, technical areas on the trail.

Available at Makro from R4 699 to R4 999, depending on model and size.

Tools for the trade

STANLEY FATMAX RANGE

Stanley has worked with real tradesmen to introduce the new Stanley FatMax range of power tools that includes a heat gun, drills, saws and grinders. Every power tool in the range has been tested and rated by real tradesmen so you can be sure it will deliver a professional job every time.

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The Swiss Army knife of backpacks

SWISS ARMY BAGS

Wenger Swiss Army products are recognised all over the globe as extremely functional and durable products. Wenger has been a maker of the Swiss Army knife since 1894 and through this has developed a name associated with quality. This range of back packs are packed with functions and has styles to suit all needs.

All styles have padded backs and shoulder straps for added comfort. There are styles that cater for the laptop user through to styles for everyday daypack use. The items are made from durable polyester materials and have organiser features that includes side pockets and stationery and digital storage compartments.They cost from R299 to R799, depending on model and size.

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Fun in the sun

DOM'S NEW BUMPER BOAT

Your kids are welcome to spend a summer's day broadening their minds by quietly leafing through classic literature. Alternatively, they could have an absolute blast – in more ways than one – on the water with the Banzai motorised bumper boat. Made of UV protected PVC in a selection of mixed colours and fitted with a powerful 12-volt motor, it has a motorised water blaster. The idea is that, when scooting around in your cool bumper boat, you can blast your friends with a cooling jet. Capable of handing active little bodies weighing up to 45 kg, the bumper boat is easy to assemble and requires eight 1,5-volt batteries. Mindful that fun in the sun does entail a modicum of responsibility, the motor comes in a child-safe covered casing.

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Find your treasure

MINELAB

Minelab's ADVENTURE detectors offer something to suit all members of the family. X-Terra detectors are great for anyone who would like to get involved in the hobby of metal detecting and needs a detector that is lightweight and portable to fit into an action-packed outdoors lifestyle. Whether you would like to find coins, relics, jewellery or gold, from the user-friendly yet powerful X-TERRA 305, to the advanced and versatile X-TERRA 705, there's an easy to use X-TERRA to suit you.

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For more information, visit www.minelab.co.za or contact Minelab on 083 702 0312/082 319 3831/082 262 2278 or info@minelab.co.za

A quick fix on the go

TORK CRAFT

Tork Craft's new bicycle-repair stand is packed with features you would expect to find in a stand three times the price. When folded up, it can be stored anywhere, even in a small car boot, so you are even able to take it with you to a race. It has work-height adjustment of between 1,1 and 1,9 metres, so is perfect for kids or the tallest of adult. A stable design with four support legs sustains a maximum weight of up to 30 kg. The practical fast clamping and adjusting design allows for both standard and oversize tubing, so virtually any bike frame will fit the repair stand. There is a magnetic parts tray which keeps all your tools in place while you work on your bike. It also features a unique handle-bar stabiliser to keep your front wheel steady and out of the way while working.

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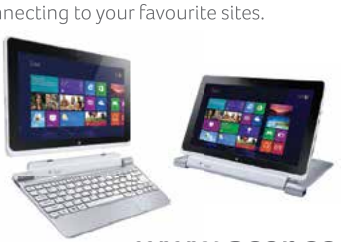

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